## MINUTES OF AN REGULAR MEETING OF THE TORRANCE CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION

#### 1. <u>CALL TO ORDER</u>

The Torrance Cultural Arts Commission convened in a regular session at 7:02 p.m. on Monday, September 17, 2012 in the West Annex meeting room, Torrance City Hall.

## 2. FLAG SALUTE

Commissioner Miranda led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### 3. ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners Candioty, Endo-Roberts, Frangos,

Korman, Miranda, and Chairperson Bunting.

Absent: Commissioner Rische.

Also Present: Cultural Services Manager Rappoport and

Senior Business Manager Minter.

## 4. AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING

**MOTION**: Commissioner Miranda moved to accept and file the report of the City Clerk on the posting of the agenda. Commissioner Candioty seconded the motion; a voice vote reflected unanimous approval.

#### 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

#### 5A. MINUTES OF AUGUST 20, 2012

**MOTION**: Commissioner Candioty moved for the approval of the August 20, 2012 Commission meeting minutes as presented. Commissioner Korman seconded the motion; a voice vote reflected unanimous approval (absent Commissioner Rische).

#### 6. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #1

None.

#### 7. ON-GOING BUSINESS

## 7A. EXCELLENCE IN ARTS UPDATE

Commissioners and staff discussed final preparations for the October 7, 2012 Excellence in Arts Awards ceremony at the Toyota Meeting Hall. It was decided that Commissioners should arrive at 12:30 for a program run through with Gia Inferrera before the event begins at 2:00.

## 8. NEW BUSINESS

# 8A. PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING OCTOBER 2012 AS NATIONAL ARTS AND HUMANITIES MONTH

Manager Rappoport noted that a draft proclamation declaring October 2012 as National Arts and Humanities Month in Torrance was attached in agenda materials. She recommended that the Commission adopt the proclamation for recommendation to City Council. She stated that the proclamation is scheduled to be read at the October 2 City Council meeting; Commissioners Endo-Roberts and Korman indicated they would be able to attend.

<u>MOTION</u>: Commissioner Candioty moved to adopt as presented the proclamation declaring October 2012 as National Arts and Humanities Month in Torrance. Commissioner Miranda seconded the motion; a voice vote reflected unanimous approval (absent Commissioner Rische).

## 8B. <u>UPCOMING SUBSIDY DISCUSSION – IMPORTANT DATES</u>

Manager Rappoport introduced the item and welcomed Senior Business Manager Minter.

Senior Business Manager Minter provided background on subsidy levels for classes and programs offered by the Community Services Department and the Citizen Development and Enrichment Committee's direction that staff meet with each of the relevant Commissions for their review and comment. He stated that relevant items would be brought forward to the Commission on Aging, Torrance Youth Council, Cultural Arts Commission, and Parks & Recreation Commission, noting that the Parks and Recreation Commission and Cultural Arts Commission would receive the item in October to prepare for a joint meeting between the two Commissions in November. He noted that items to be discussed include the Enterprise Fund Program Subsidy Levels, Madrona Marsh Preserve, Torrance Art Museum, Senior Citizen Excursion Program, and Community Services Department Marketing Plan. He stated that the Committee is looking for broad value statements and that the process would allow Commissioners to recommend what they believe should be funded by the City for services provided to the community.

In response to Chairperson Bunting's inquiry, staff explained the current methodology of assigning subsidy levels based on percentage and the difference between direct and indirect costs.

Responding to Commissioner Korman's inquiry, Senior Business Manager Minter stated that rentals of the Cultural Arts Center would not apply as they are under General Services Department.

Manager Rappoport advised that Cultural Services Director Jones would provide an overview of the Cost Recovery/Subsidy Plan at the October 15, 2012 Commission meeting and that Commissioners would receive a copy of the current Cost Recovery/Subsidy Plan at that time. She stated that a joint meeting of the Parks & Recreation and Cultural Arts Commissions is scheduled for November 14, 2012 and that Director Jones would be soliciting comments and feedback from the Commissions to

take back to the Citizen Development and Enrichment Committee. She recommended canceling the regularly scheduled Commission meeting of November 19.

## 9. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

## 9A. EXCELLENCE IN ARTS

Previously discussed in Item 7A.

## 9B. FACILITIES COMMITTEE

Manager Rappoport reported that Land Concern submitted new, beautiful drawings of the proposed Wilson Park Amphitheatre as requested; however, the project is on hold pending the future of the Wilson Park Pond.

## 9C. GRANT REVIEW COMMITTEE

No report.

## 10. MONTHLY DEPARTMENT REPORT

Manager Rappoport noted that the Cultural Services Division Report for August 2012 was included in agenda packets. She announced the opening of the exhibition "The Subterraneans" at Torrance Art Museum on September 22 and that fall classes started on September 17.

## 11. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #2

- **11A.** Commissioner Korman stated that she enjoyed the South Bay Community Concert Association's Art-Strings Ensembles on September 15 and is looking forward to the Foundation's presentation of "Capitol Steps." She announced Torrance Symphony Encore! on October 20 at the Armstrong Theatre.
- **11B**. Commissioner Endo-Roberts stated that she enjoyed participating in the Art Walk.
- **11C.** Commissioner Frangos stated that she went to the Hollywood Bowl and visited Crafted in San Pedro.
- **11D**. Commissioner Candioty stated that he attended the Sawdust Festival and shared information about "Gourmet Guys" at La Habra Children's Museum. He announced that he is now on the Advisory Board for the Los Angeles Trade Tech Culinary College.
- **11E**. Commissioner Miranda stated that he enjoyed participating in the Centennial Parade on September 16 and had the opportunity to visit Getty Villa in Malibu two weeks ago.
- **11F**. Chairperson Bunting stated that she visited a Jack Goldstein exhibition at Orange County Museum of Art as well as several gallery openings in Culver City.

**11G**. Manager Rappoport informed the Commission that the Annual Report would be presented to City Council on September 25.

## 12. ADJOURNMENT

**MOTION**: At 7:47 p.m., Commissioner Candioty moved to adjourn the meeting to Monday, October 15, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the West Annex meeting room at Torrance City Hall. Commissioner Miranda seconded the motion and, hearing no objection, Chairperson Bunting so ordered.

Approved as Submitted October 15, 2012 s/ Sue Herbers, City Clerk